



MS AMENDMENT  
PATENT  
0445-0310P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Keima TAKABAYASHI et al.	Conf.:	7444
Appl. No.:	09/974,853	Group:	1771
Filed:	October 12, 2001	Examiner:	N. L. Torres Velazquez
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**MS AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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April 12, 2005

Sir:

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INDEPENDENT	1	-	3	=	0		\$200	\$0.00	
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								TOTAL	\$0.00

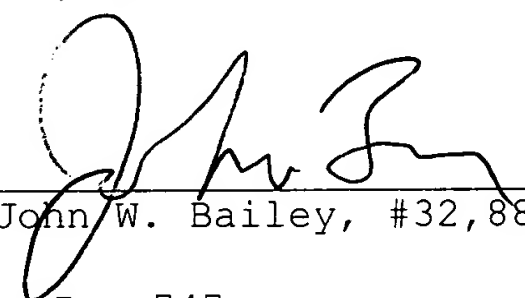
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Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

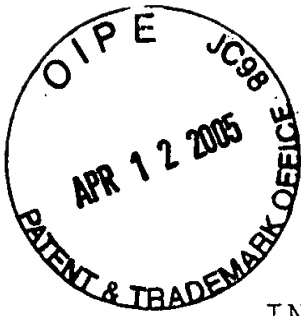
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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 13, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Please amend the present application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.